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To our Friends, Greetings:

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We of Khartum Temple are, of course, very proud of the many fine circus exhibitions we have presented in the past, but we are prouder still of our many business and professional friends, and of the other scores of private individuals who have given so unstintingly of their substance and their time that our Annual Shrine Circus can be such a success.

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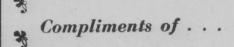
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While not denying there's a publicity angle to the thing, Miss Berosini asserted she wants to do it mostly for her own personal satisfaction.

The Berosinis own four acres of land in Florida and a home in Miami. Josephine has been practicing there on a 500-foot-long strand of wire for her "someday" walk across Niagara Falls. She said the feat would have to be

attempted on a calm summer day with little or no wind to disturb her balance. She would use a balancing pole and would have to sit down on the wire to rest from time to time, she added.

Josephine represents the fifth generation of high wire artists in the Berosini family. Natives of Pilsen, Czechoslovakia, the Berosini family performed throughout Europe and came to the World's Fair in 1939. Josephine's mother broke her leg and hasn't worked on the wire since.

But the family carried on until May, 1950, when Josephine's brother, Otto, was killed in a fall from the high wire while working with Pollack Bros. Circus in Waco, Tex. That shocked Josephine so that she decided to give up high wire work. But she found she couldn't.

Driven by inner compulsion and loath to forego work for which she had been trained so intensely, she began doing a "single" act in August, 1950, and in October of that year went to South America where she performed for six months.

Josephine has been "on the wire" since the age of five. It's in her blood.



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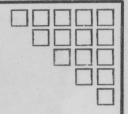
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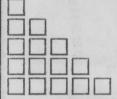
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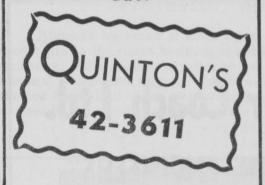
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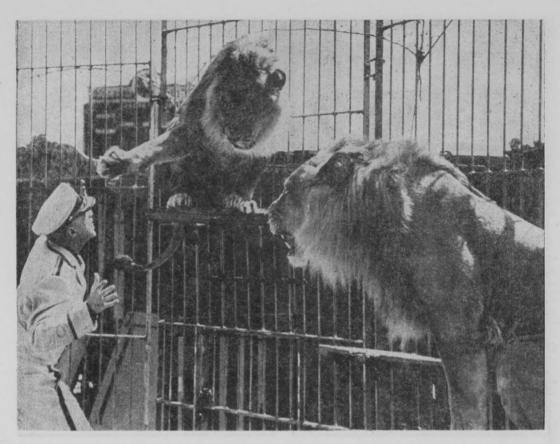
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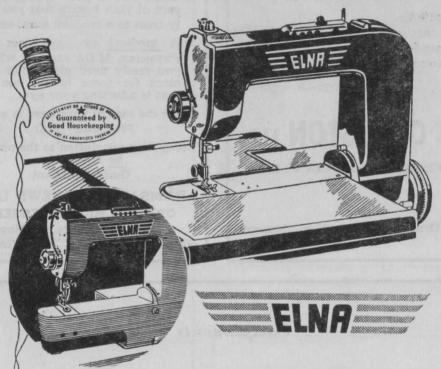
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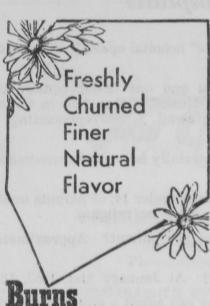
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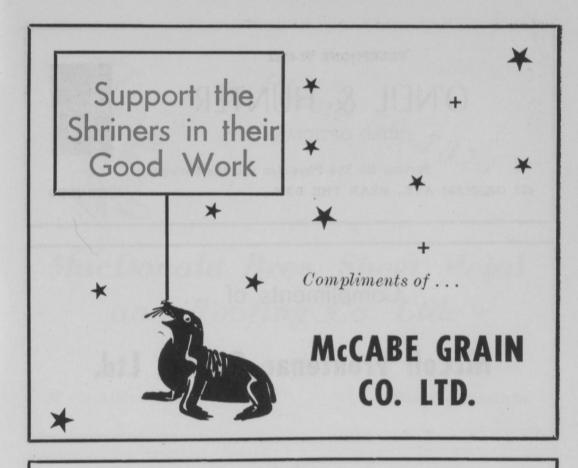
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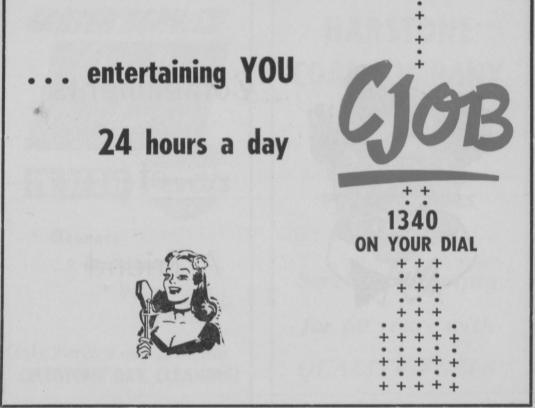
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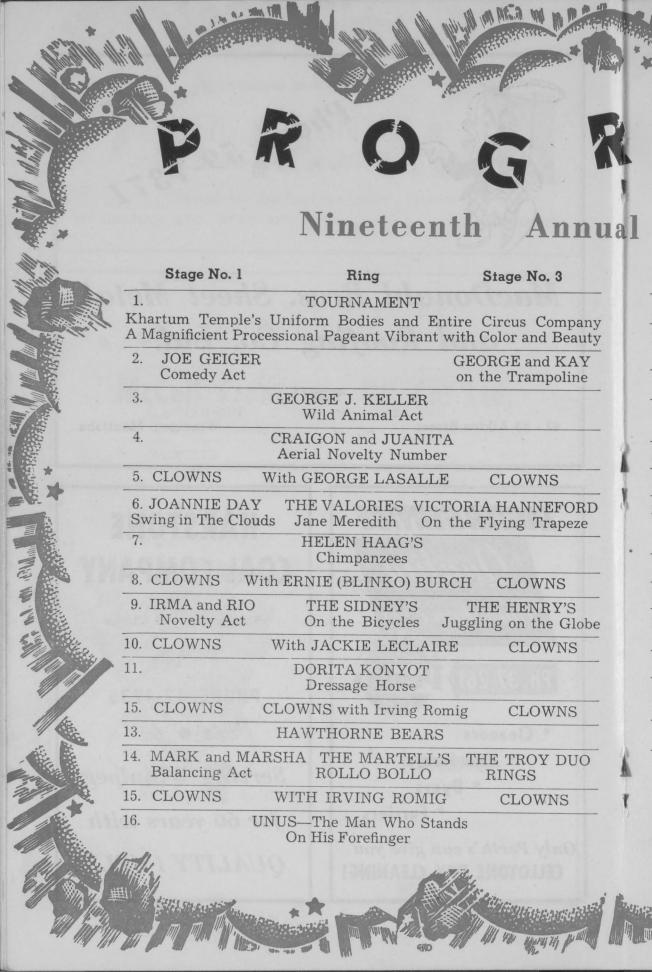
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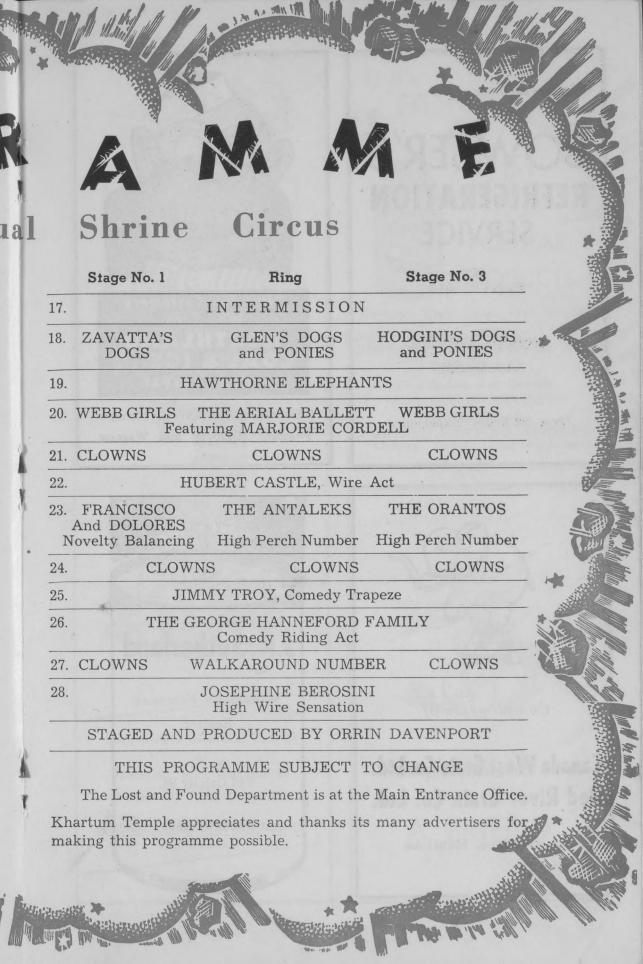


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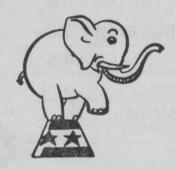
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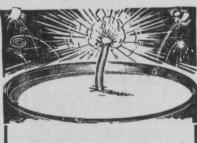
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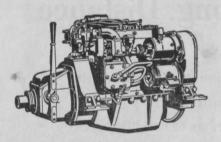
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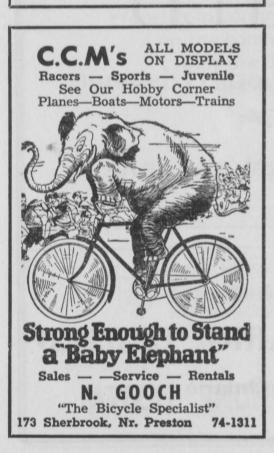
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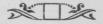
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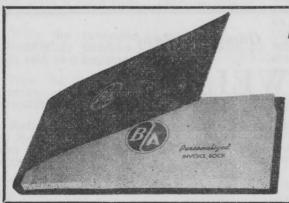
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Keller received the message with glee, for he had spent years following a hobby of training everything from alley cats to timber wolves. That winter he moved his car out of the garage and moved in a training cage. He taught the lion to lie down, roll over, jump through a hoop, and walk a tight rope. Then he sold it to a circus.

With the proceeds of that sale he immediately purchased an African lion cub and two mountain lions.

Now he has two professions. He teaches college students — and wild animals.

Keller, is reported to be the only man in the world who, completely unarmed and unprotected, enters an arena filled with every variety of the big cat tribe.

What's the difference between teaching jungle cats and college students?

Says Keller: "Students want to be educated. Lions need to be.

"Contrary to general belief," he adds, "big cats are never tamed. They are natural killers and at best are merely controlled."

How does he educate the big cats? "Simple," says the professor. I use the same psychology in the cage as I do in the college classrooms. College students, however, are better risks."

The professor has had two moments of anxiety since becoming a big cat trainer.

The first time one of his lions rebelled was during a performance at the Brookfield (N. Y.) State Fair. The spotlight was on Leo, a 950-pound African lion. Leo was scheduled to open his mouth and permit George to stick his head inside. But Leo rewrote the script, clamped his teeth on his trainer's head.

Several thousand spectators gasped as attendants outside the cage cracked whips and fired blank cartridges, but to no avail.

Keller struggled with the big cat until he lost consciousness. When his body went limp, Leo dumped him in the center of the ring.

Keller revived quickly. He returned Leo to the cage and repeated the act, this time without a slip.

But the trainer believes he was in a tighter spot the first day he stepped into a cage with two black-maned lions, fresh from African jungles. One cat sprang at Keller and sent him reeling against the cage bars. The lion bit him on the left arm, tore the flesh on his right shoulder with a typical "jungle haymaker," then retreated.

But the professor, with his fractured arm in a sling and a 10-inch gash on his shoulder, was back in the cage two days later. Toughie, as Keller immediately named the cat, has been a star performer since.

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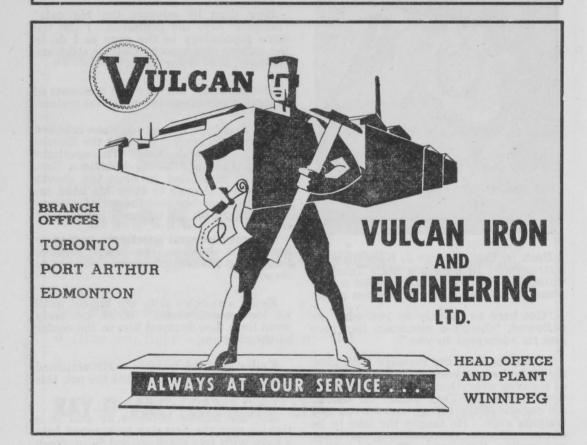
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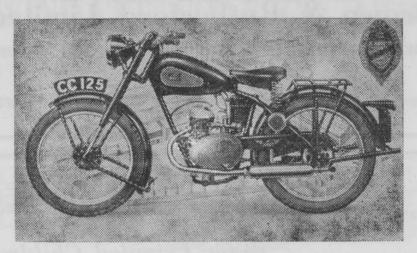
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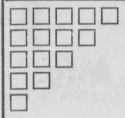
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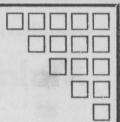
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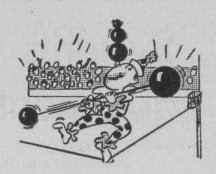
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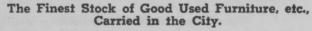
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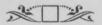
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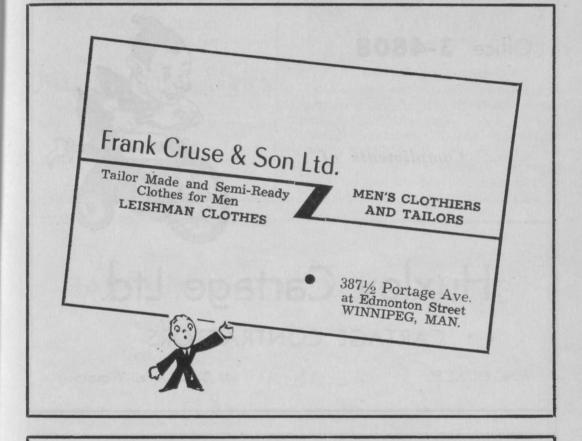
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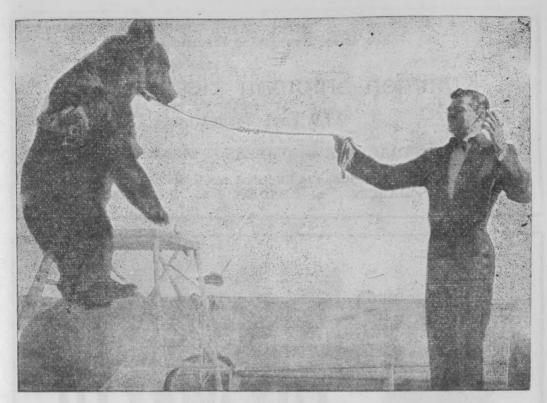
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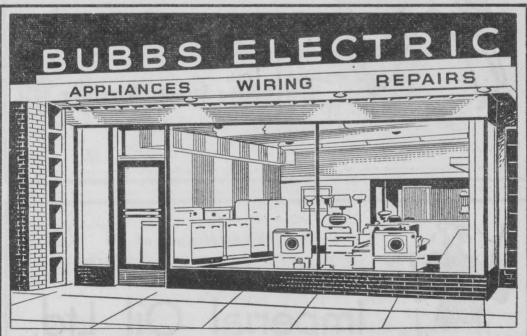
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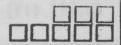
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"Bears are the meanest and hardest animals to handle," Paul says. "They're much worse than cats. You never can

depend on them."

Paul's worked with all kinds of animals. He's been in the game for 16 years off and on. Now 26 years old, Paul began his career at the age of 10 at Benson's Wild Animal Farm in New Hampshire. Later he became assistant superintendent at the Rochester, N.Y. Zoo, and finally he took a job at the Children's Zoo in Libertyville, Ill., near Chicago.

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Paul says Sunny's learning how to dance now, but he's a mean "sonuvagun."

The other bears came from Siam, Syria, and Russia, Paul said. They don't like Sunny, who's kept in a separate cage. Paul said one of the big bears got hold of Sunny once and almost killed him.

Paul had a "cat" act for about two years and worked with Canadian lynx and wild-cats weighing about 40 or 50 pounds apiece. Because he likes "cats" better than bears, Paul says he hopes to break in a leopard act within the next five years.

Starting out at the age of 10, Paul got his first job by accident because prospective employers said he was too young. Paul's cousin was working with a donkey-go-around and became ill one day. Taking his place, Paul made more money for the show in one day than his cousin had made in a week. Result . . . Paul's cousin got fired and Paul took over.

Paul has gained his experience with wild animals under 12 different trainers at Benson's Wild Animal Farm. He said it is knowledge one couldn't acquire in any other way.

Paul's bothered by just one thing. He says people don't appreciate how tough it is to get bears to perform on a stage before a big crowd of spectators.

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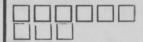
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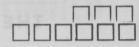
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Joe: "How do you tell them apart?"
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It's sad for a girl to reach the age
Where men consider her charmless,
But it's worse for a man to attain the age
Where the girls consider him harmless.

Tommy came home proudly from first day of school.
"What did you learn in school?" asked

his mother.

"Nothing," answered Tommy; then seeing the look of disappointment on her face, he added, "but I learned a lot during recess.

The room was quiet, the lights were low. "What are you thinking about, darling?"

he asked.
"The same thing you are, dear." she replied.

'Hot dog!" he cried. "I'll race you to the icebox!'

Girl: "Do you have any green lipstick?"
Druggist: "Green lipstick?" Druggist: "Green lipstick?"
Girk: "Yes, a railroad man is calling on me tonight."

There were two parrots in a second-hand bird store. One had belonged to a preacher, the other to a sailor. Said the preacher's parrot: "What shall I do to be saved?" The sailor's parrot replied. "Pump like hell or we'll all be drowned."

"Jack, dear," said the bride, "let us try to make the people believe we've been mar-ried a long time."
"All right, honey," came the reply, "but do you think you can carry both suitcases?"

"Have a cigar?"
"No thanks. Tried one once and didn't like it."
"Well, then, how about shooting a game of pool?"
"No, thanks. Tried one once and didn't like it. But my son will be along in a minute and probably he'll play you."
"Your ONLY son, no doubt!"

"My wife is the most wonderful woman in the world, and that's not just my opinion—it's hers."

The student newspaper came out with

this story: "Coach Jones again is active on the grid-iron after having been laid up for several days with a bad coed."

Grandpa: I miss the old cuspidor since it's gone

Grandma: You missed it before—that's why it's gone.

"Hey," cried Satan to a new arrival, "You act as if you owned the place."
"I do," came the answer, "my wife gave it to me before I came."

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